



March 28, 2018

Via Email: elena@judgewatch.org

Elena Sassower

Center for Judicial Accountability

Dear Ms. Sassower:

This letter responds to your correspondence dated January 22, 2018, which pursuant to FOIL, requested:

- 1) records reflecting the process/procedures by which the Legislature's budget for fiscal year 2018-2019 was compiled;
- (2) records pertaining to the Legislature's "General State Charges" for fiscal year 2018-2019, missing from the Legislature's budget transmitted to Governor Cuomo by the December 1, 2017 coverletter signed by Temporary Senate President Flanagan and Assembly Speaker Heastie - in particular, (a) records of their certification; (b) cumulative dollar amount; (c) date of their transmittal to the Governor; and (d) whereabouts in the Executive budget;
- (3) records pertaining to the 28 pages of legislative reappropriations for fiscal year 2018-2019, appearing in an out-of-sequence section at the back of Governor Cuomo's Legislative/Judiciary Budget Bill #S.7501/A.9501 (at pp. 26-53), but missing from the Legislature's budget that Temporary Senate President Flanagan and Assembly Speaker Heastie transmitted to Governor Cuomo by their December 1, 2017 coverletter - in particular, (a) records of their certification; (b) cumulative dollar amount; and (c) date of their transmittal to the Governor;
- (4) records reflecting the cumulative dollar amount of the Legislature's budget for fiscal year 2018-2019, inclusive of "General State Charges" and reappropriations.

Please be advised that the New York State Executive Chamber has conducted a diligent search but does not possess records responsive to your request.

Pursuant to Public Officers Law § 89(4)(a), you have thirty (30) days to take a written appeal of this determination. You may appeal by writing: FOIL Appeals Officer, Executive Chamber, State Capitol, Albany, New York, 12224.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Valerie Lubanko". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "V".

Valerie Lubanko
FOIL Counsel
Records Access Officer